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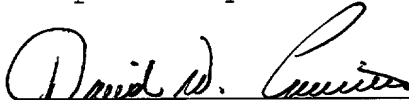
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Enclosed herewith for filing are:

- 1) The utility patent application of John C. Vellinger, Kenneth W. Barton, Mark E. Wells, and Mark S. Deuser, including specification, drawings, and claims;
- 2) Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 3) Abstract of the Invention;
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